- 1 Claim 1 (previously presented): A method of manufacturing a circular optical storage disc,
- z comprising:
- providing a substrate with a first surface and a periphery; and
- 4 providing a coating on the first surface by applying a liquid, rotating the substrate,
- s and solidifying the liquid; and
- 6 wherein:
- when applying the liquid onto the first surface, the substrate is present in a
- 8 separate extension body;
- 9 the extension body having substantially circumferential contact with the periphery
- 10 of the substrate;
- the extension body having a surface substantially flush with the first surface of the
- substrate, wherein said extension body further comprises at least two parts; and
- after substantial solidification of the liquid, the extension body and the substrate
- 14 are separated.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a circular shape.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a polygonal shape.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a regular polygonal shape.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the surface of the extension body consists of substantially the same material as the substrate of the optical storage disc.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the surface of the extension body consists of a material to which the coating adheres relatively poorly.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said at least two parts have surfaces substantially flush with the first surface of the substrate.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the liquid is solidified by exposure to UV light.

Claims 9-14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (currently amended): The method of Claim 1, wherein the substantial solidification being is sufficient so that coating breaks off at the periphery of the substrate.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The method of Claim 1, wherein the substantial solidification being is sufficient so that the separation releases coating from the extension body.

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Claim 17 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein the at least two parts of said extension body are congruent.

- Claim 18 (currently amended): The method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein a number of parts
- for the at least two parts used to form said polygonal shape is equal to half of the sides within
- said polygonal shape.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 18, wherein each of said number of parts is congruent.

- Claim 20 (new): A method of manufacturing an optical storage disc, comprising:
- providing a substrate with a first surface and a periphery;
- e coupling the substrate with a polygonal extension body, the extension body having
- substantially circumferential contact with the periphery of the substrate, the extension body
- having a second surface substantially flush with the first surface;
- providing a coating on the first surface by
- o applying a liquid,
- 8 o rotating the substrates so that the liquid is spread evenly over the first surface, more
- 9 thickly over the second surface, and especially thickly at corners of the polygonal
- 10 extension body, and
- 11 o solidifying the liquid; and

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- after substantial solidification of the liquid, separating the extension body from the substrate
- so that excess coating breaks off.